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APPENDIX XI.

[*Vide* answer to the unstarred question No. 64 asked by Sri P. G. Manickam at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 29th March 1961, page 373 supra.]

The statement below furnishes the particulars :—

Serial number and name of the district.		*Funds allotted for the disbursement of first instalment of loan, 1960-61.*	*Number of wells to be sunk in 1960-61.*
(1)		(2)	(3)
		RS.	
1	North Arcot	5,90,000	590
2	South Arcot	4,00,000	250
3	Chingleput	1,50,000	200
4	Coimbotore	2,00,000	200
5	Madurai	50,000	50
6	Ramanathapuram	1,15,000	230
7	Salem	5,70,000	570
8	Thanjavur	20,000	40
9	Tiruchirappalli	5,76,500	600
10	Trunelveli	2,70,000	270
	Total	29,41,500	3,000

APPENDIX XII.

[*Vide* answer to the unstarred question No. 69 asked by Sri M. P. Sarathi at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 29th March 1961, page 376 supra.]

(*a*) (1) The Scheme for the distribution of sprayers and dusters to the ryots at concessional rates is a Plan Scheme and is sanctioned from year to year. With a view to induce ryots to have their own sprayers and dusters to take timely action for the control of pests and diseases without depending on the Agricultural Department, these appliances are supplied to ryots at half cost. Sprayers and dusters required for carrying out control measures and for conducting demonstrations are stocked in the agricultural depots. For attending to the work of repairing and servicing of these sprayers and dusters, there is one machanic at the headquarters of each of the four Deputy Directors of Agriculture.

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(2) During the year 1957–58, sprayers and dusters were distributed at half cost. These were purchased for distriution in bulk by direct purchase from the only two local manufacturers, viz., Messrs. Selvi Industries, Coimbatore, and Messrs. Addison and Company. During 1958–59, the requirement of sprayers were bought from the above firms following the same procedure. During 1959–60, two-third of the requirements were purchased in bulk from Messrs. Selvi Industries, Coimbatore and Messrs. Addison and Company, Madras. The balance was purchased under 'rate contract' system.

Since none of the indigenous make of dusters was found satisfactory and as the demand for dusters was not also much as in the case of sprayers, the dusters were not purchased and distributed during 1958–59 and 1959–60.

(3) During the year 1960–61, the total requirements of sprayers and dusters under the Scheme was ordered to be divided equally and purchased from Messrs. Selvi Industries, Coimbatore and Messrs. Addison and Company, Madras and the Government Brassware Unit, Kumbakonam. It was ordered that there was no need to go in for 'Rate Contract System' at all.

(*b*) The number of sprayers supplied during 1958–59 and 1959–60 is furnished below district-war :—

Name of the district.	Number of sprayers distributed during 1958–59.	Number of sprayers distributed during 1959–60.
(1)	(2)	(3)
1 Chingleput	50	84
2 North Arcot	100	95
3 South Arcot	200	167
4 Salem	200	200
5 Coimbatore	600	600
6 Nilgiris	50	50
7 Thanjavur	300	333
8 Tiruchirappalli	100	100
9 Madurai	400	400
10 Ramanathapuram	100	84
11 Tirunelveli	300	300
12 Kanyakumari	50	42
Total ..	2,450	2,455

(*c*) Sufficient pesticides and fungicides are stocked in the Agricultural Depots and distributed to the ryots. The value of the pesticides purchased for distribution during 1958–59 was about Rs. 20 lakhs and during 1959–60 was about Rs. 27. lakhs.